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VIRGINIA'S BIG DAY AT THE EXPOSITION

Record Breaking Crowd On the Grounds.

STATE BUILDING THRONGED ALL DAY.

An Address by Governor Swanson and a Poem by Thomas Nelson Page—Military Reviewed by the Governor —Gen. Fred, D. Grant and Staff Call Upon the State's Executive.

Norfolk (Special).—Virginia Day was celebrated at the Exposition with an enthusiasm that has not been witnessed since opening day. In fact, the crowd was even greater than on either that day or even on last Monday, when President Roosevelt was here. The morning dawned cloudy, but by 11 o'clock the skies cleared and the afternoon was perfect, a strong breeze moderating the heat of the sun.

The vast throng that gathered on Lee Parade, in front of the grandstand, to hear the speakers and to see the vast parade, was made up of persons from all parts of Virginia, adjacent states and many from far off. Special excursions were run by all of the railroads and steamboat lines touching Norfolk, while other visitors had been here for some little time. Tidewater Virginia turned out especially strong. The mayors of the various cities had several days' ago issued requests to the merchants to suspend business for the day in order to allow their employes to participate in the festivities, and this was largely done.

President Harry St. George Tucker, of the Exposition Company, opened the exercises by introducing Col. A. M. Bowman, of Salem, Va., who presided.

The opening prayer was offered by Rev. J. Sidney Peters, of Petersburg, and this was followed with music by the band, which rendered, while the crowd cheered, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

Hon. Robert L. Withers in a short address of welcome to all States and nations introduced the illustrious son of Virginia, Dr. Thomas Nelson Page, who had prepared and read a beautiful poem, "Raleigh's Vision." He was followed by Lieutenant-Governor Ellyson, who delivered a short address and introduced the speaker of the day, Governor Swanson, whose speech was an eloquent exposition of the greatness and glory of his State, and which was enthusiastically applauded.

The exercises concluded with "Dixie" by the band, and then followed the great military parade, reviewed by Governor Swanson, Admiral Robley D. Evans and staff and Gen. Fred D. Grant and staff and many American and foreign naval officers. In the parade, in which the midshipmen from Annapolis, the cadets and marines from the ships and the regular troops made a splendid showing, the Virginia militia came in for the greatest amount of praise, which was shared by the Virginia Military Institute and the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, but the regular ovation was tendered to the gallant Richmond Howitzers.

These troopers arrived on the grounds after having marched all the way from Richmond in their new uniforms of khaki and with their caissons and guns covered with mud, their horses weary with their long, hard pull, the battery marched proudly by the reviewing stand and gracefully received the plaudits of the multitude.

Behind the battery came their commissary wagon, each piled high with boxes and barrels, and each drawn by four mules, just as they appeared on the march.

President Tucker, Vice President Martin, Vice President Cumming and Secretary Shepard, of the Exposition Company, paid an official visit to the Governor and Mrs. Swanson at the Virginia Building as a part of the Virginia Day celebration.

Gen. Frederick D. Grant and staff, escorted by a platoon of cavalry, called on Governor and Mrs. Swanson a number of days later and Governor Glenn of North Carolina, also called at the Virginia Building.

Governor Swanson, accompanied by Governor Glenn, returned the visit of General Grant at Camp Captain John Smith.

In the afternoon the directors of the Exposition Company and Secretary Shepherd accompanied Governor Swanson and staff to the Discovery Landing, where they received the officers of the American and foreign fleets anchored in Hampton Roads.

The fourth division of the Atlantic fleet, which consists of the battleships Ohio, Minnesota, Kansas and Iowa, will remain in Hampton Roads after the rest of the ships of the fleet have dispersed.

St. Mary's Academy.

Alexandria, Va. (Special).—The closing exercises of St. Mary's Academy were held at Lannon's Opera House. The graduates were Misses Mary Margaret Sweeney, Josephine Agnes Daly, Lillian Marie Crilly, Rosa Dorothy Crilly, Ethel Gertrude Willis, Catherine Teresa O'Sullivan and Georgianna Elizabeth Ifft.

VIRGINIA WEDDINGS.

Fredericksburg (Special).—Miss Flossie Coleman and Granville Phillips, both of this city, last, Hunting County, at the home of F. Coleman, the father of the bride.

Winchester (Special).—Harry Bayne Barkell, a prominent Winchester business man, and Miss Ida May Lamp, daughter of George Lamp, of this city, were married at the residence of Rev. Dr. James R. Graham, of the Presbyterian Church. Dr. Graham performing the ceremony. They will make their home here.

Richmond.—The marriage of Miss Roberta Nolting, daughter of the late Emil Nolting, to Robert Tod Vinson, of Big Stone Gap, took place in the home here of the bride's mother. The Rev. William Mead Clark, of St. James' Episcopal Church, officiated.

Richmond.—The marriage of Miss Agnes Virginia Gullek, daughter of Mrs. Mary L. Gullek, to Charles Joseph Newell, took place in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Thomas Semmes, assisted by Rev. John Ridout.

VIRGINIA OBITUARY.

Roanoke (Special).—Dr. David P. Heckman, of Franklin County, died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. N. K. Akers, while on a visit. He was seventy-six years of age, and had been a practitioner in medicine for nearly forty years. He leaves nine children.

Winchester (Special).—Mrs. Margaretta Brown Bell, widow of John N. Bell, Sr., a former leading Winchester business man, died at her home after a long illness, aged seventy-six years. Mrs. Bell was born in Baltimore, and was a member of the well-known Brown family of Maryland, her father having been J. Harman Brown. She leaves two sons and two daughters. Three stepsons also survive. Gen. Stewart Brown and John Wilson Brown, of Baltimore, are brothers.

Fredericksburg (Special).—Alexander Walker, aged fifty years, died at his home here. He leaves a wife and three children.

Winchester.—Isaac De Haven, a farmer and landowner, is dead at his home at Gainesboro, this county, aged eighty-five years. Seven sons and two daughters survive him.

Danville.—Mrs. Nannie Graves Moore, wife of John A. Moore, died at the General Hospital here following an operation for appendicitis. She was in the twenty-second year of her age, and was married in December a year ago.

Warrenton.— Mrs. Adeline Edmonds, widow of E. G. Edmonds, who was for years treasurer of Fauquier County, died suddenly at the residence of Major T. C. Thornton, where she had made her home for several years past.

Suffolk.—Capt. T. Jones, forty years old, one of the leading clothiers and business men of Suffolk, died Sunday after an illness of two days. He is survived by a wife.

Roanoke.—A telegram was received here from Portsmouth announcing the death in that city of the wife of Dr. R. B. Downey, formerly of this city. Mrs. Downey was a Miss Jones, of Ridgeway, Henry County. She was about forty years of age.

ELECTIONS IN THE STATE.

W. R. Kennedy Defeats Mayor Walker at Lexington By Three Votes.

Lexington, Va. (Special).—At the municipal election held in Lexington Tuesday, William R. Kennedy was elected mayor over the incumbent Samuel B. Walker by a majority of three votes. All of the present councilmen were re-elected. There were 1,100 votes polled and four thrown out as defective. Capt. Walker has served two terms. This is Mr. Kennedy's first political office.

Herndon, Va. (Special). — The town election at this place Tuesday resulted as follows: Councilmen, E. L. Robey, H. B. Hutchinson, F. E. Russell, F. E. Reed, C. J. Burton, E. Dyer, and E. N. Fitzhugh; clerk, J. M. F. Wilkins; sergeant, B. F. Banchman. The result of the election is considered as favorable to Mr. Hutchinson's candidacy for mayor.

Luray, Va. (Special).—In a hotly contested election for town officials here Tuesday, T. A. Smoot, a member of the Luray bar, defeated Thomas R. Campbell, who has been mayor for six years, by a majority of two votes. The following ticket was elected: For councilmen, John H. Booton, C. G. Mason, R. T. Morris and A. F. McNeily, all being new, except Councilman Booton.

Chatham, Va. (Special).—In the municipal election here J. H. Hargrave, Jr., was re-elected mayor over L. P. Clyde, by thirty-eight majority. W. M. Whitehead, J. W. Whitehead, B. J. White, W. B. Shepherd, W. T. Reid, and A. D. Bennett were elected councilmen.

Writ of Error Granted.

Richmond (Special).—The Virginia Court of Appeals has granted a writ of error and supersedeas in the case of Forbes and others, of the State Council of Virginia, Junior Order United American Mechanics, against the Improved Order of Heptasophs, in the Chancery Court of Richmond. The decision of the Supreme Court means that it will look further into the matter.

Boy Killed In Scuffle.

Charlottesville (Special).—As the result of a little horse play in the soap-stone quarry at Alberene, a large quarry about a mile from Sidney, Giannany, Jr., nineteen years old, son of Sidney Giannini, of Alberene, was mortally wounded by Marion Bowles, aged nineteen years, of North Garden, this county, who died five hours later.

Governors Invited To Unveiling.

Petersburg (Special).—Gov. Stuart, of Pennsylvania, and Gov. Swanson, of Virginia, have been invited to make addresses on the occasion of the unveiling of the statue erected over here by the survivors of the Forty-eighth Pennsylvania Regiment.

Two Boys Drowned.

Abingdon, Va. (Special).—While six boys were standing on a wire foot bridge across the Holston River, near Glade Spring, Abington, watching the swollen stream, a part of the span of the bridge and tore it from its moorings. The boys were thrown into the river. Four of them swam ashore and two were drowned.

The bodies of Frank Miller and Henry McIntyre, the boys drowned, have not been recovered.

Convicted Of Murder.

Fredericksburg (Special).—John Taylor, colored, was convicted of murder in the first degree at Spotsylvania Green, for the murder of Jennie Coleman at a negro frolic in February last. This was Taylor's second trial.

Shot Himself In The Head.

Suffolk (Special).—Hudson Barlow, a young man who lived near Mill Swamp Church, Isle of Wight County, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head. There was no known cause for the suicide.

GIRL'S BODY NOT FOUND.

Fiancee Almost Physical Wreck From Long Search of River.

Charlottesville (Special).—The cloak and undershirt worn by Miss Mamie Richardson on Saturday, June 1, the day she was drowned near Edge Hill Chapel while attempting to cross a stream in a buggy while the water was high from the heavy rain, have been found on a small island in the Rivanna River, near Milton. Ragged holes in both garments showed that the body had caught on snags in its course down the stream. The cloak was buttoned and turned wrong side out; even the sleeves were turned in this manner, showing that the cloak had caught on some root or snag and that the force of the current had drawn the body of the young woman out of the garment and swept it out, probably into the James.

William Wright, the young man who was with Miss Richardson when the accident occurred, is almost a physical wreck through loss of sleep and fatigue from his hopeless search for the body of his fiancee. In a boat which he had made by a lumber company in this city, he has continued his search from day to day. Every foot of the creek bottom and the river banks for miles has been gone over as thoroughly as is possible, considering the muddy water.

Barr Accepts Exposition Post.

Richmond (Special).—James M. Barr, former President of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad, advised the Jamestown Exposition Company that he would accept the position of adviser to the board of governors of the exposition, which he was recently urged to accept.

Killed Boarding Moving Car.

Roanoke (Special).—John Glenn, a colored laborer employed by J. F. Barber & Co., was instantly killed while attempting to board a moving street car. He was thrown against a granite and cement crusher and fractured his skull.

R. C. L. Moncure Renominated.

Fredericksburg (Special).—R. C. L. Moncure, of Stafford, was renominated for the State legislature for the counties of Stafford and King George by the Democratic committee of each county. Mr. Moncure had no opposition.

At Washington and Lee.

Lexington, Va. (Special).—Final commencement exercises of Washington and Lee University were held in the Lee Memorial Chapel, and 66 graduates received their degrees in the various departments.

THIS AND THAT.

There are only 16 women dentists in New York City.

The accidental white eggs tax the tiny nest of the hummingbird.

The cost of Russian caviar, a delicacy made from sturgeon roe, is rapidly advancing.

The International Bureau of Plant Industry finds that ground granite makes excellent fertilizer.

The Japanese government holds a monopoly on match-making. The government controls the trade in the East.

Percy Fullerton, of France, is exceedingly thrifty. He rends as little as possible of his liberal allowance of $600,000 per annum.

The three largest German cities are Berlin, with a population of over 2,040,000; Hamburg, with 802,000, and Munich, with about 540,000.

The Department of Agriculture has figured it out that rats cost the United States $1,000,000 a year. The department will soon be rabies.

A. R. Whaley, selected as general manager of the New York Central and Hudson River, now road in 1857, was a freight brakeman on the Rutland Railroad.

Deer are relatively plenty in various parts of Japan, and in such districts where the Ainu Mujdima are held as sacred, becoming so tame as to eat from the hands of visitors.

The Japanese consider a fish out of water more dead than the American deer.

A memorial was presented to the viceroy of Canton recommending on account of the overcrowding of the city, the building of a new road from Chien Loong Hien and Lip Tak, and the removal of both the old and new city walls and the filling of them into roads.

A Chinese merchant named Chan Sik-Kuen has discovered a rich gold mine at Tin Poon Hui, in the Yeong Kong prefecture. He has formed a syndicate with $60,000 to work the mine. It is said that large quantities of gold dust have been found in a stream close by the mine.

The Japanese minister at Washington has transmitted to the Department of State the program of the International Exposition of Hygiene, Arts, Trades and Manufactures, to be held at Madrid in September, October and November next, to which the attention of prospective exhibitors of this country is invited.

Japan has an automobile fitted up as a hearse.

Made of iron, without teeth, turning with great velocity, are used for sawing metal.

Under the promotion of tobacco culture in India, Consul-General Michael writes that the government of Madras has granted to a European the use of 150 acres for five years free of rent. The party must use the most up-to-date appliances and report his progress to the government. The latter's experiences last year were not satisfactory, but they are being continued.

Two hundred Bohemians have left Chicago to go back to their homes, near Prague.

Fairbanks' Summer Plans.

Boston (Special).—It was learned here that Charles W. Fairbanks, Vice President of the United States, and his family will spend the three months following July in Danvers, Mass. The family goes to Danvers largely to obtain rest and quiet for Mrs. Fairbanks, who has been advised by her physicians to seek an entire change of air at some point near the Atlantic coast.

Dan Cupid's Busy Season.

HUB POOR MARRIAGE MART

College President Says, However, Women Have Less Chance Here.

Boston, Mass. (Special).—President Pritchett, of Technology and the Carnegie Fundation, says Boston is a poor marriage mart. In the course of his remarks to the Simmons College girls at their commencement he said:

"In Boston the chances of a woman marrying are smaller than elsewhere in this country, with the exception of the District of Columbia.'

It seemed to him that there is an ever increasing number of women who prefer a good job to an indifferent husband.

"The argument that college women do not marry has some truth in it," he said, "but then the same applies to women out of college, who prepare to earn their own living. But the best job is the conduct of a good home.

"As 55 per cent. of the great middle class, from which the college women are drawn, are not married. It requires therefore, all the reckonsense in the rich and the poor in respect to matrimony to bring the American woman's per cent. of marriage up to the standard."

—Cartoon by Jamieson, in the Pittsburg Dispatch.

CHARGE PLOT TO OVERTHROW CZAR

Fifty-Five Members of Parliament Accused--A Scheme For a Republic.

St. Petersburg (By Cable). — The dissolution of the lower house of the Russian Parliament appears to be a question of only a few hours, or at most of a day or two.

With only 120 opposing votes the lower house rejected Premier Stolypin's ultimatum for the immediate suspension of 55 deputies for membership in the Social Democratic party and referred the matter to a committee. Although the committee has been instructed to report at once, it is believed it will delay the decision on the main question so as to give time for the Duma to adjourn before the recommendation.

In order to keep strictly within the legal limits Premier Stolypin will recommend the suspension of 16 deputies on condition that the government disclose the evidence against them, but there is not the slightest expectation on either side that this will save the situation.

An extraordinary session of the council of ministers was held to discuss the decision of the lower house. Up to a late hour no report has been received of the meeting of the council, and no decree of dissolution has been issued. The general impression is that no edict would be promulgated before next Monday or Tuesday.

Excuse To Dissolve Douma.

There is a belief in some quarters that the action of the government is only an excuse for the dissolution of the lower house.

Five minutes before the sitting of the lower house closed Premier Stolypin received a letter from the minister of the interior, in accordance with the resolutions, that the house go into executive session to discuss some matters of state.

As soon as the house was called to order the premier read the brief ultimatum saying that unless the suspension of the deputies named was granted, and granted immediately, the government would declare itself unable to co-operate with Parliament.

He then yielded the tribune to M. Kameshausky, the prosecutor of the St. Petersburg courts, who read a long indictment of the Social Democrats, based principally on the documents found in the search of the lodgings of Deputy Ozel.

Conspiracy Charged.

The protocol described at length the incriminating evidence and then charged that 55 Social Democrats in Parliament had organized themselves into a criminal association, known as the Central Committee of the Social Democratic party, which was acting in concert with other criminal organizations, particularly the military revolutionists, and throughout Russia, to produce armaments, murder ministers and other officials, soldiers and workmen and overthrow the present dynasty and government. He, therefore, demanded the immediate suspension of the deputies in order to try them for high treason under paragraph 102 of the criminal code.

Douma Is Dissolved.

St. Petersburg (By Cable).—Emperor Nicholas affixed his signature early Sunday morning to the imperial ukase abolishing the present Douma and ordering that the elections of members to the new Douma shall not meet November 14, be held under the new election law, which provides a restricted representation of the enobled classes by the "ignorant masses." The Imperial ukase is addressed to the Ruling Senate and reads as follows:

"According to paragraph 105 of the Fundamental Laws of Russia, we ordain: Firstly, that the Imperial Douma be dissolved; secondly, that the Imperial Council and the Imperial Douma be held, beginning September 16 (November 1), and that the Imperial Douma be convoked November 14 (27), of the present year."

The ruling Senate will not fail to take the proper measures to place this in effect.

"Peterhoff, June 16."—Nicholas.

FATAL DUEL OVER GIRL.

Rivals In Nebraska Use Six-shooters and One is Dead.

Hastings, Neb. (Special).—John Miller, a cowboy who came west from Fall River, Mass., several years ago, fought a duel on a ranch north of here with Roland Bell, who died from his wounds.

Miller was engaged to marry Lucretta Robb, and bell was in love with the girl and tried to "cut him out." The duel was fought on Monday last week, and Miller sent a telegram to his rival, which was accepted promptly.

75 Persons Leap Into Sea.

None, Alaska (By Cable).—The steamship Ohio, owned by the White Star Steamship Company, struck ice at Port Safety. A huge hole was made in the ship's bow and the vessel began to fill rapidly. A panic ensued among the passengers. More than seventy-five persons jumped into the sea and were drowned.

Two white men and a Chinese were drowned. When order had been restored, the Ohio backed off the ice and returned to Nome.

28 Go Down With Vessel.

Barbados (By Cable).—Twenty-eight passengers, including twelve women and children, were drowned by the sinking of the French schooner La Jalouse, from Cayenne, for St. Lucia. The schooner sank off Barbados Friday night. Her captain and twenty-one men reached Barbados safely. The captain reported the schooner went down in thirty miles to the east of here.

Two Women In Auto Killed.

Indianapolis (Special).—Two women are dead and three others are seriously hurt in an automobile accident in the northern part of the city when a trolley car struck and wrecked the automobile of J. F. Himes. The accident happened on the Indiana Union Traction line at Eighth Street and College Avenue. According to Himes, he slackened speed to allow a north bound car to pass, then drove onto the double track and crashed into a south bound car.

Be Tender With Japan.

Honolulu (By Cable).—Commissioner of Immigration Sargent has instructed the local immigration officers to continue the careful inspection of Japanese immigrants, but to discontinue photographing and to handle diplomatically all questions that may arise. The local Federal officers are said to have discovered that members of the Japanese naval station here have been communicated with directly by their home government and not through the Japanese consul.

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UNIFORMITY OF STATE MILITIA

Must Conform To The Federal Regulations.

Washington (Special). — Acting Secretary of War Robert Shaw Oliver has addressed an identical letter to the governors of the States and territories having militia organizations calling their attention to the fact that on January 21 next year, under the terms of the Dick militia act, the militia organization must conform to that of the regular and volunteer armies of the United States. Therefore, General Oliver suggests that it is the duty of the governors to take the necessary steps to secure such conformity in organization by the date named. Says General Oliver:

"Failure to meet this statutory requirement will result in debarring a State from the use of the allotment of the annual appropriation of $21,000,000 for the support of the militia."

Attention is called to the fact that the third section of the act imposes the conditions that the number of its regularly enlisted organized and uniformed active militia shall be at least 100 per cent of the senate and representative of the State.

With a view to placing upon the statue book of the State an organic military law providing the necessary measure of conformity to the organization now in force in the regular Army, or the militia of the several States, Secretary Oliver suggests the appointment by the governor of a board for an enactment by the legislatures, to be brief, as follows:

The definition of the duties of the adjutant general and his assistants and of the enlisted men of the force; of his assistants as laid down in article 9, War Department circular, October 8, 1903.

Provision for the necessary general officers and for a staff made up of adjutant generals, quartermasters, subsistence, medical, hospital corps, engineers, ordnance and signal corps. The general guard must be divided into divisions, brigades, regiments, etc., to conform to the regular Army organization, reserving to the governor the power of reorganization to increase the efficiency and to make the companies and noncommissioned officers and organizations correspond to the regular Army.

The new law will have a far-reaching effect upon the militia and guard of the country, for in very few states of the organizations at present correspond with those of the regular service The most important change together will probably be in the great increase in the number of men in companies and regiments, for it is a fact that in many states scores of companies of militia instead of being 1,200 strong, as they should be to meet modern service demands, they number scarcely more than a battalion, or 300 men, and skeleton companies are everywhere in evidence.

LOST IN NAVAL LAUNCH.

Six Middies And Five Seamen Are Drowned.

Norfolk, Va. (Special).—A heartrending catastrophe, in which the lives of six midshipmen of the United States Navy and five enlisted men were sacrificed, took place during the festivities of Georgia Day at the Jamestown Exposition.

A launch in which the party mentioned was returning to their ships at anchor in Hampton Roads, after attending the ball which closed the day's festivities at the Exposition grounds, was swamped during a terrific blow from the sea. Twenty-one aboard, it is feared, went down to their graves beneath the waves of Hampton Roads.

It is stated that the government launch was in charge of a coxswain, who rammed the launch, and that the current of the storm will engulf them follow. He is understood, it is said at the navy yard, to have admitted striking a small boat of some description.

RAILROAD MUST PAY $101,780.

Jury Gives Verdict In Favor Of Wife Of Man Killed.

New York (Special).—One of the largest verdicts for damages ever given in the Supreme Court, or any judicial district was awarded by a jury in White Plains, N. Y., when it awarded $101,780 for the loss of her husband, Joseph Wiley, to the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad train in the Van Cortlandt Park cut.

Mr. Wiley, who was a paper bag manufacturer, was driving his motor cycle with George Noakes, Mrs. Noakes and Noakes' son and daughter. The automobile was struck by a train. Wiley was killed and Miss Noakes and the chauffeur each lost a leg. Mrs. Noakes was awarded a verdict of $10,000 and Miss Noakes of $35,000.

In the testimony in all the suits showed that the approaching train was hidden from view by a station, by one, and that the warning bell at the crossing was out of order.

Killed By Pitched Ball.

Birmington, N. Y. (Special).—Albert Sheets, of Chamberburg, Pa., was killed by being struck with a pitched ball in a ball game here. He was a pitcher but and the ball struck him on the frontal bone, crushing the skull at the base of brain.

Largest Elk Dend.

Defiance, O. (Special).—August Gottwald, the biggest Elk in America, died at his home here after a brief illness with pneumonia. Gottwald was 49 years old, and, although not above the ordinary stature, he weighed 450 pounds. At the annual convention of the B. P. O. Elks, held in Dallas, Texas, at the convention at Denver he was rewarded as the largest member of the order present.

100 Lives Endangered.

Bridgeport, Ohio (Special). — An attempt was made by train wreckers to wreck passenger train No. 16 on the Cleveland, Lorraine and Wheeling division of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, at Crescent. The train was coming from Cleveland and had over 100 passengers aboard. When it reached Crescent the engine left the track, the train having slowed down, a fact which prevented a disastrous wreck. A spike had been driven in the switch.

FRISCO'S MAYOR IS FOUND GUILTY

Extorted Money From Keepers of Restaurants.

WAS UNMOVED BY THE VERDICT

Eugene E. Schmitz Has Been Indicted for Malfeasance in Office as a Result of Antigraft Campaign—Former Political Ally, the Boss, Has Testified Against Him.

SCHMITZ'S SHARE OF BOODLE.

Trolley franchise	$150,000
Home Telephone franchise	75,000
Fight Trust	5,000
Building grait	75,000
Saloon grait	50,000
Gambling and disorderly houses	100,000
Theater grait	75,000
Tips on stocks from millionaires	100,000
Total	$662,000

San Francisco (Special).—Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz was found guilty of extorting money from keepers of French restaurants in this city. The jury in the case returned a verdict of antigraft campaign inaugurated several years ago by Abe Ruef, who was indicted for similar charges, pleaded guilty to the charges and appeared at a witness against Mayor Schmitz.

When the verdict was announced Schmitz sat unmoved, with his left hand resting on his cane. He apparently did not understand, and asked his counsel:

"What is it?"

"Guilty," said Barrett.

Schmitz's face changed to the color of wood ashes and he dropped his head on his breast. Then he straightened up and looked about him. He shook hands with his counsel and now meant to have his retrial.

Half dazed, Turner struggled to his feet, and, being unarmed, fought his assailants with bare fists. With a mighty blow the young miner knocked them, taking care to keep the men in front of him, so that no particular attention to his old enemy in the barroom. He dropped with a stinging blow on the chin. Others, in sheer admiration of Turner's pluck, engaged themselves on his side, and the trio soon had the best of the fight. The fed discomfited assailants left the premises. Turner, who had gone to his assistance, and landed with what bystanders assert was a dull, sickening thud.—Ianta Constitution.

French Politeness.

Our France in its distracted gallop of modern ideas and manners is accused by some people of having lost some precious and characteristic charms, the refined and intelligent politeness its noble desire to please, which should be valued in spite of all the sarcasms of the foreigner. — M. Georges Lecomte, in the Paris Grande Revue.

There is now at Sandy Hook proving ground a gun the biggest canon ever turned out. It is twenty yards long and weighs thirteen tons. The cost of each shot fired is $1500.

MERRY FAILURES.

Be a failure if you must,
Add ignition go to rust,
Add that fame's a foolish prude,
Eat of books for want of food;
But remember this, my son,
Do not be a dismal one!

Be a merry failure! Let
Troubles only mirth beget,
Take the edge from fortune's wrong
With the magic of a song;
Folks will say, observing you,
"Wish I were a failure, too."
—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"Bud" Turner, of Missouri.

By Harry M. Vernon.

[Being the lurid life-story of a remarkable man who for twenty years acted as sheriff of "the toughest country on earth." In this capacity he hunted down and exterminated many of the most notorious desperadoes who ever terrorized the Western States of America. When he finally laid aside his weapons "Bud" Turner had accounted, single-handed, for the lives of no fewer than forty-two men, and had earned the grim sobriquet of "America's champion man-killer!"]

There has just died peacefully in Missouri, U. S. A., at the ripe age of seventy-four, Mr. "Bud" Turner, who was popularly known as the "champion man-killer." During his lifetime this remarkable individual accounted for the lives of no fewer than forty-two men, each of whom he slew single-handed, "for the good of the community." Lest such a sanguinary record should lead the reader to think Turner was some bloodthirsty desperado, I hasten to add that for twenty years he was sheriff of the county in which he operated and was significantly styled "the toughest county on earth."

Turner's exploits will live forever in the checkered annals of Western story, and it is only fitting that a short appreciation by many people in the far West, for a braver man never lived. In 1864, after the gold fields of California had in a measure become worked out, many of the miners, one of whom was Turner, left the "diggings" and headed for the states of Colorado and Dakota, gold and copper having been found there in large quantities. All the gamblers, blacklegs, and "crooks" in the country flocked migrated to the goldfields, and every outlaw and desperado for miles around made those districts the centre of their operations. In a comparative safety somewhere in the West. Saloons, dance halls and gambling dens all did a flourishing business, and law and order were practically useless, for the appointed officers usually "lasted" about one day, and then either gave up their jobs in despair or were buried in a pine wooden box. Every man carried a brace of six-shooters, and was not slow on the slightest provocation—or none at all. Cold-blooded murders were common as the daily occurrence, and might was right everywhere.

One day there sauntered into the mining camp of Gold City, Colorado, a young fellow heavily laden with "grips" (prospector's term for a traveller's outfit). He was a tall, handsome, well-built young man, and possible his appearance in the district, was walking swiftly down the right aisle as the sentence is usually interpreted, and settled down into a hearty seat as though prepared to stay for some time.

All over the house people were turning to see the stranger, and then turned to the strangers at their elbows and thrust out their thumbs in the direction of a long-looking moment, and said: "Shah."

The morning of the last day of the Mayor's trial, the counsel for Attorney Campbell's closing address to the jury. Judge Dunne was consumed by Assistant District Attorney Heney in a fiery closing speech. The reading by Judge Dunne of his charge to the jury followed. Throughout all the afternoon the deliberations of the jury were kept secret and nook in the anteroom and galleries of the courtroom and corridor stood tightly wedged, tense and unweary.

Affirms Birdsong Verdict.

Jackson, Miss. (Special).—The State Supreme Court affirmed the verdict of the trial court in the case of Mrs. Angie Birdsong, who was tried several months ago for the killing of Dr. Birdsong, her husband, a prominent physician and former citizen of Jackson. Mrs. Birdsong was found guilty of murder and sentenced to the penitentiary.

Earthquake In Ecuador.

Guayaquil, Ecuador (By Cable).—A violent earth shock of considerable duration was felt in this city on the 16th inst., causing much alarm among the people. The quake is attributed to the activity of Sangay volcano, which is throwing out great quantities of stones. Flames rise from the crater of the volcano, and can be seen from afar.

AT THE NATION'S CAPITAL

Some Interesting Happenings Briefly Told.

The Senate Committee on Military Affairs authorized the creation of the Brownsville affair investigation. It is expected the committee will meet to consider whether it will recommend the retention of Maj. Col. Harry H. Bandholtz, Gen. Ernest A. Garlington, or both, as chief of the Philippine constabulary.

Brigadier General Andrew S. Burt retired, removing the Secretary of War ceremony before the Senate committee investigating the charges against the retired officers of the colored regiments.

William Loeffler, colored, principal examiner in the Patent Office, was appointed chief clerk in that office.

Senator Rayner is likely to be chosen to fill the vacancy on the Committee on Foreign Relations caused by the death of Senator Morgan.

An unsuccessful effort was made in the defense in the Brownsville case before the Senate committee on Military Affairs, investigating the shooting of Brownsville, adjourned immediately upon meeting until today.

Some very wait posted people in Philadelphia say that Reading is going to be put very much higher.

("Buffalo Bill") in the capture of a noted desperado named Wiley, who, at the head of a gang of cut-throats, had been "holding up" and robbing the wagons of settlers crossing the plains.

"Buffalo Bill" was at this time a scout in the service of the United States Government, and Wiley had threatened to kill him "on sight," it being known that the desperado's gang was somewhere in the vicinity, Turner was detailed to capture them. The night before the attempt was to be made, as luck would have it, "Bud" met Wiley accidentally some miles out on the plain.

Both men were on horseback, and in the moonlight could see each other distinctly. Wiley opened fire at long range, galloping his horse in a circle so as to gradually close in on the other horseman. The young deputy, sitting his horse like a statue, waited his opportunity, and then, as Wiley dashed down upon him, fired. The desperado dropped his reins, drew both his revolvers, and opened a deadly fusillade with the result that the outlaw dropped from his saddle riddled with bullets. "Bud" jumped from his horse, placed the body of the dead man across the front of his saddle, and then galloped into town, to where he deposited his burden before "Buffalo Bill's" tent, with the laconic intimation: "Here's your man, Cody."

In the first two years during which Turner served as deputy he "answered" for sixteen men, among them being "Jim" McNair, "the Terror of the Northwest," a cowardly renegade who used his knowledge of the white man's ways in assisting the Indians. McNair it was who with his own hand killed and scalped the noted Indian chief, Sitting Bull. Turner, who had gone to his assistance, and put an end to the fight by shooting the lamps from their sockets. When "Bud" recovered he was the proud possessor of the scalps of the former desperado, taking his departure for his chief's place.

Turner's first chance to distinguish himself in his new position came while assisting William F. Cody,